Date | Time: November 5, 2008

Chair: Sean Ardussi
Recorder: Evan Brown

Location: Seattle City Hall, L204

Distribution:

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Deborah Kuznitz
- Blake Trask
- Sean Ardussi
- Evan Brown
- Ryan S. Dean
- Lindsay Pesheck
- Sean Cryan
- Craig M. Benjamin
- John Beaulaurier
- Howard Wu
- Ann Boyd
- Jeff Frkonja
- Naomi Wilson

OTHER GUESTS

- Ali Amiri, WSDOT
- Mike Johnson, SDOT
- Ryan Jones
- Juliette Dels, Sustainable Quen Anne
- Michael Snyder, Seattle Likes Bikes
- Aili LePard

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

- Sean calls meeting to order at 6:08p
- Deb
 - o Noticed a large amount of leaf debris on Dexter bike route that pushed bike traffic into car lane
 - o Monica: will provide general venues for street-sweeping/pothole reporting info
 - o 685-ROAD General road issue line
 - Naomi: may be worth mining last two years' meeting minutes to find recurring issue and to use Community Outreach committee to handle
 - o Ann: What are street-sweeping schedules?
 - Monica: not enough man-power to handle all corridors, but SDOT is trying to identify top 10 bike corridors to mark for regular sweeping

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• October minutes approved

Public Comment

- Eileen from West Seattle
 - Shared bike/bus lane on Stewart St next year
 - During rush hour, # of buses on Stewart is enormous and foresees many problems
 - Will follow up with more information via e-mail
- Michael Snyder
 - o Tested lights and reflectors recently at Magnusson Park
 - Reflective tire sidewalls and reflective valve-stem covers are very effective
 - Coordinating cycling certification class on November 15th and 16th in Ballard
 - Trying to have LCI training on Jan 23-25
 - o BikePortland released 'Close Call' crash-reporting map
 - BicycleWatchdog.org has added more data geotagging
- Juliet from Queen Anne
 - Wants to get in contact with Rodney Rutherford

UPDATES & MILESTONES

- Alaska Way Viaduct
 - o Replace viaduct between S. Holgate Street and S. King Street
 - Build new section of SR 99
 - Utility line relocation
 - 8 months May 2009
 - o Work will:
 - Improve local mobility for pedestrians, bicyclists, vehicles and freight
 - Improve access to downtown Seattle
 - Construction: Spring 2009-2012
 - Status: In design
 - Will be replaced in 5 stages
 - Plan to maintain a non-motorized ped pathway, and to extent possible the existing bike lanes, at all times
 - o Sean: interested in seeing what final design drawings look like
 - o Bike and ped access in new south end
 - City is looking at adapting existing trail system to get pedestrians through during all phases of construction
 - At King Street, trail system will be built on both east and west side (off-street facility) that takes people from Atlantic St. to King St.
 - No bike lanes on Atlantic (has Mountains to Sound trail on N side)
 - Jeff: what are zoning/land-use requirements regarding multi-use of areas being developed?
 - Specifics not yet known
 - Jeff: what is expected for average daily traffic?
 - Not currently known, and depends on central waterfront process
- SR 519 Phase 2
 - o Start construction 17th of November
 - Closes surface crossing across road tracks
 - Builds grade-separated bridge across tracks
 - Ouestions

- Juliet: 3rd Ave is a comfortable bike route because there are no cars. Why aren't there more facilities
 - Some paving will be done, but is outside scope of this project and would have to be considered by the city/SDOT
- Sean Cryan: Are lanes coming off the viaduct and onto Alaskan Way? If so, how would they interact with bike path
 - Bike facility is separated (by 27-32" wall) and is ~27-35 ft from street system
 - Efforts being made to slow traffic as it exits
- o Coast Guard facility space is very constrained
 - Will be difficult to fit new barriers (mandated by coast guard), sidewalk, bike lanes, etc

Monia DeWald, SDOT

- o Passed around green bike lane informational fliers
- o 30 miles of bike facilities for 2008 are no complete; trying to reach 35
- o Construction on East Marginal Way to move ecology blocks in front of Coast Guard Station
- Discussion of repaving Fauntleroy
 - Fauntleroy was identified by BMP for further study
 - If repaying happens, from Alaska to California a climbing lane will be proposed; from California to ferry a lane diet will be suggested
- o Can compile list of contact information for street-sweeping, potholes, etc
- Ryan: Railway trestle bridge has waviness/undulation, and wonders if it's being regularly inspected
 - Believes Seattle Parks is working on it
- o Ryan: Is BGT root control to Kenmore done?
 - Monica: This year's work is done, but area north of Inverness isn't complete. Has proposed for 20 asphalt repair locations on BGT in coming year
- o Sean Cryan: On southbound E Marginal Way, some paving was incomplete
 - Monica: In 2007, it wasn't budgeted, but was able to find some money, but it wasn't enough to pave entire piece
- o Blake: wondering if 'supporting documents' cited in BMP exist?
 - Monica: unsure, but will look into it

• Bikeability Tour of Ballard -> West Seattle

- o Ann: report broken down by sections of route
 - Long-term solution is great replacement to Ballard Bridge, but what are the short-term solutions, if any?
 - Identified precarious merging of 15th Ave with both Nickerson and Dravus
 - Issues with trail and connection at Pier 91
 - Will be many cruise ships and traffic in the future
 - South of downtown
 - Issues with coast guard, lack of space, etc
 - Big issue is Marginal Way
 - Need for separated bike facility on east side of road next to railroad
 - John Beaulaurier: issue was raised at Tri-Party talks, and it was agreed by all that this would be good
 - Distribution
 - Sean Ardussi thinks Grace Crunican should receive a copy

- Send to Mayor's office
- Charlie Bookman at SDOT, Traffic Management Engineer
- 15th Ave/Elliot project managers Lorelei Williams and Yani Gamachi
- Should consider attaching cover letter with recommendation for specific locations
- Naomi: progress with this document should be considered in the annual progress report

SDOT Scorecard / SBAB Progress Report, Ryan Dean

- o Ask each SBAB member to document progress on board in 2008
- Want to wrap-up at or near end-of-year
- Should be distributed to broad audience, but at least SDOT Director, City Council Transportation Committee, possibly Mayor

• DPD / DoN Status, Sean Cryan

- November 13th, group will convene to develop list of recommendations for DoN and buildingcode tweaks for DPD
 - Also, develop education program for both departments

• Project Review, Jeff Frkonja

- o Jeff, Blake and Ryan convened a meeting on October 21
 - Regarding Aurora/Lynden/Stewart projects, Pete Lagerwey is in touch with team ensuring that necessary projects have BMP elements incorporated
 - Pike/Pine couplet on Capitol Hill (managed by Brian Holloway)
 - Basic plan is to move bikes to Pine
 - Stewart Project
 - In fairly advanced design stage
 - North side of Stewart would be bus lane w/ sharrows and restricted during peak periods
 - Largely a KC Metro project to which Seattle is contributing some design and city oversight
 - Bridging the Gap has upcoming quarterly meeting
 - Heads-up that status report looks positive
 - Working on work plan for next year, which will be spreadsheet with specific objectives and schedule
 - Jeff wants to retrieve electronic copy quickly for SBAB review, with plan to have feedback ready by January
 - What's the deal with supposed surplus in BtG revenues?
 - Money comes from property tax, commercial parking tax, and head tax on employment within city limits
 - o Commercial parking tax is generating more money than anticipated
 - Was designated to go to paving sidewalk projects for 2008-2009, but would be bonded in 2010 against the Alaskan Way Viaduct project
 - Blake: how does BtG revenue fund BMP projects?
 - Naomi/Jeff: BtG money is used for BtG projects and only funds a fraction of BMP projects.

• Tri-Party, John Beaulaurier

o Traffic on Stone Way down 4/10th % (no significant impact)

- Cheshiahud Loop
 - o Committee meeting on Dec 4, final public comment on Dec 11
 - o Will choose date and time to do mid-day weekday ride of loop

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- Annual Retreat
 - o January 10 or 11?
 - Sunday the 11th is best for everyone
 - Lindsey will locate local library to hold meeting

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

• Adjourned at 8:08pm